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UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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FOR: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 34 pages of specification, claims, abstract.
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ Priority Claimed.
- ☒ Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 11-185879
- ☒ 10 sheets of formal drawing.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Minolta Co., Ltd.  
and the assignment recordation fee.
- ☐ An associate power of attorney.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and reference.
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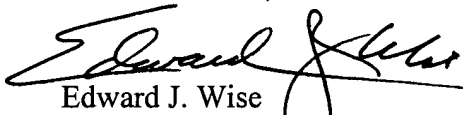
Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 119, Applicant hereby claims the priority of:  
Japanese Patent Application No. 11-185879,  
filed June 30, 1999

cited in the Declaration of the present application. A certified copy is submitted herewith.

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